

Cotton Village Produce Association.

The pattern of our year remains the same – evening meetings from February to May, an evening visit to a local garden in June and our summer outing in July. then the high-light of the gardening year, the annual show in September. Another evening meeting in October AGM in November ending the year with Christmas dinner in December. We have continued to average just over 30 members at each meeting . As well as an interesting talk each meeting, there is always time for a cup of tea and the chance to catch up with friends.

This year we have welcomed several new members and have still kept the annual membership fee to £2 with extra payments for the outings and Christmas dinner. We do, however, subsidise the outings from our funds. As we have a raffle at each evening meeting, this means that the meetings are largely self- financing.

The history of the VPA which started during the last war, and was written by Keith Bullock some years ago, is now available on the village web site. We are intending to add to this history, as Keith and his late wife Ann were major players in the VPA for many years. Modestly, Keith never mentioned his own involvement!